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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Ngoc Yen T. Vu
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: Group Art Unit: 2612
Application No.: 09/161,294)
: Filed: September 28, 1998)
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002, Applicant elects to proceed initially with prosecution of Species I, as shown in Figs. 3-4. Claims 3-6, 11, and 13 are believed to read on the elected species.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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